Diversion of Funds Meant for Capital Investment

2977. SHRMATI SARALA MAHESWAWRI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to refer to the reply given to the unstarred question 4695 on 20th August, 1992 and state:

(a) under which rule|directive of the Government, the IDPL was allowed to divert its funds meant for capital purposes for meeting csh losses for four running years (from 1986-87 to 1989-90); and

(b) what action Government propose to take against the persons|officials responsible?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI EDUARDO FALLIRO): (a) and (b) Indian Drugs and Pharmaceuticals Limited (IDPL) had been incurring heavy cash losses over the years and the company hed acute shortage of working capital as well as funds for payment to pressing creditors for supplies and services, statutory payments, wage bills, overdue electricity bills, banks' interest etc. In this back-drop, the company had no alternative but to temporarily finance a part of the cash loss by using plan funds. The company has been formally declared as a sick industrial unit by the Board for Industrial and Financial Reconstruction (BIFR). A capital restructuring proposal for the company has been prepared. Once the capital restructuring is approved, the plan funds temporarily used, would be recoupled. Despite continuing severe constraints of working capital, even temporary use of plan funds without appropriate approvals, has been discontinued. There was no *malafide* intention on the part of the management and, therefore, action against individual officials is not proposed to be taken at this stage.

Policy for Public Sector Undertakings

2978. SHRIMATI CHANDRIKA ABHINANDAN JAIN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some public sector units working under the administrative control of the Ministry of Industry have been adversely affected due to withdrawal of support by the Central Government; if so, which are those units;

(b) whether it is also a fact that some units had started making profits but could not sustain; if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of the steps taken for improving the functioning of these units?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT) WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF HEAVY INDUSTRY) (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) None of the sick PSUs under the Department of Heavy Industry have made any profit during the last 2 years.

(c) The functioning of these companies has been reviewed by the Department of Heavy Industry from time to time with a view to bringing about an improvement in their performance through rationalisation of manpower, increased productivity, reduction in sundry debtors and inventory and balancing investments, wherever necessary, of better utilisation of facilities. In additon, 19 public sector undertakings have made a references to the BIFR as per the provisions of Sick Industrial Companies (Special Provisions) Act, 1985.

मारुति उद्योग लिमिटेड द्वारा धन का दुरुपयोग

2979. **श्री शान्ति त्यागी :** क्या **प्रधान मंत्री** यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि वित्त मंत्रालय ने मारुति उद्योग लिमिटेड को कारों की बुकिंग के नाम पर एकत्र किए गए धन के दुरुपयोग और अतिरिक